

# P5 Class Newsletter

**Welcome!** This is our first class newsletter and it gives me an opportunity to welcome you all to our class. In this letter I will try and give you an idea of what we will be working on in during the first term.

- I will teach the class for the majority of the week with Mr Swan teaching on Thursdays.
- School lunches are £1.70 per day/£9 per week.
- Please bring a refillable water bottle to school each day.

## Literacy: Curriculum for Excellence- 1st/2nd level

We will continue to use the Big Writing programme which focuses on vocabulary, connectives, openers and punctuation to improve children's literacy skills. The children will use these skills when writing imaginative, personal and functional pieces this term. The intention is to work with each reading group at least twice a week although this may increase if further reading practice is deemed necessary.

## Maths /Numeracy: Curriculum for Excellence- 1st/2nd level

Pupils will continue to work through the mastery of maths programme to improve their mental maths skills. This will allow them to apply this in other areas of maths. The focus for term one mental maths will be addition.

In other maths we will be looking at place value and data analysis. Mr Swan will be looking at Shape in term 1.

## Health and Wellbeing: Curriculum for Excellence– 1st/2nd level

Our P.E days are Wednesday and Friday. I would suggest pupils bring a P.E kit everyday in case of any timetable changes or extra sessions.

Term 1 P.E will focus on invasion games and both Mrs Foster the P.E specialist and I will be teaching this through hockey.

Mr Palmer also takes the class for HWB once a week and this term he is focussing on the wellbeing indicator SAFE.

## Interdisciplinary Learning

This term we will be covering two topics. The children chose to look at Jamaica for their country study and we will be doing a smaller standalone topic around pollution.

## Homework

Spelling homework will be issued on a Monday and will usually consist of spelling words and a challenge to complete. Reading homework will be issued on a Wednesday and will include reading set pages and completing a question task based around Blooms Taxonomy.

***I hope you have found this newsletter informative. If you have any concerns or questions please do speak to myself or Mr Swan at the schools gates at 3pm.***

***The children have has a great start in P5 already and I am sure this will continue as we work together***

***Regards, Mr Malin***